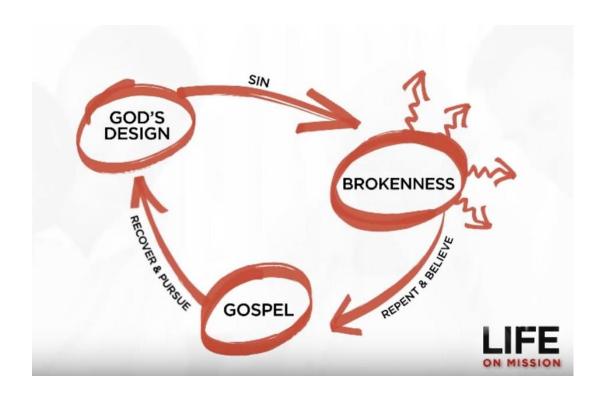
## THE 3 CIRCLES: A TOOL FOR GOSPEL CONVERSATIONS



## **BROKENNESS**

- •Draw the Brokenness circle and ask: "What evidence can you think of that the world is broken, that things aren't as they should be? (War, Disease, Disaster, Hatred, etc.)
- Ask, "How have we tried to fix these issues? (Politics, Education, Medication, Suicide)
- As people share, draw the squiggly lines out from the Brokenness Circle. Explain that all these attempts to solve the problem may seem to help in the short-term, but they all act like bungee cords snapping back and only adding to the brokenness.
- Ask, "Do you think that it always was this way?

## **GOD'S DESIGN**

- Draw the God's Design Circle and say, "God originally created the work perfectly. Everything and everyone lived in perfect harmony with Him, each other, and the world around them.
- Ask, "How did we go from God's Design to the Brokenness we see today?"
- Explain that God gave humanity the choice to accept or reject His authority. Our rebellion against His rule in our lives is called, Sin. Sin brings Brokenness and ultimately death.
- Draw an arrow from the God's Design Circle to the Brokenness Circle and label the arrow, Sin
- Ask, "Is there any hope of change if all our efforts only make things work?" Explain that if we die in this broken state we will be separated from God forever.

## **GOSPEL**

- Draw the Gospel Circle and explain that only God, the Author of the Story, can come and fix what we have broken. He sent His Son Jesus to come live the perfect life we couldn't live and die on the cross the death that our rebellion deserves. He proved this by raising Jesus back to life.
- Draw and arrow from the Broken Circle to the Gospel Circle as you explain that if we repent of our sin and believe in what Jesus accomplished on our behalf we can be restored back to God's Design for our lives.
- Draw and arrow from Gospel Circle to the God's Design Circle as you explain that we now get to join King Jesus to recover and pursue the Father's design for all of Creation.
- As Christ followers, we grow to become like Him together and help others find and follow Jesus as a way of life. We go to serve the hurting and seek the lost inviting them to repent and believe the Gospel as well.

Check out this video for more help: